

WOOD MEN ARE APPOINTED TO IMPORTANT CHAIRMANSHIPS

OPEN WAR FOR CONVENTION CONTROL

Eleven Killed and Twenty-One Injured in New York Central Wreck

Balloting Not to Take Place Until Late Friday Night

Political Leaders Figure Gov. Lowden Is Forging Ahead Strong—Sen. Watson Named Chairman of Platform and Resolutions Committee; Edward D. Duffet Named Chairman of Credential Committee—Votes of 500 Uninstructed Delegates to Determine Next United States President

Chicago, June 9.—Delegates to the Republican National Convention assembled at the Coliseum today for the second session with their views as to who shall lead the party at the polls next November still a mystery, even to themselves.

While giving uproarious approval yesterday to Chairman Lodge's keynote address calling for destruction of the "Wilson dynasty," a sign of any preference came from those and whose votes will select the republican presidential candidate to undertake the job, even for favorite sons; no mention of the "big three" among the aspirants, Wood, Johnson and Lowden.

May Pick Lodge Working with unprecedented



Henry never had so much attention paid him as he has had since being elected delegate from Grand Center.

freedom from centralized leadership or "boss" control, the delegates promptly ratified a program designed to make permanent the temporary organization. Adoption of the organization committee's report, a foregone result, will place its gavel in Senator Lodge's hands as the permanent presiding officer and set the convention off on the second stage of its journey with little prospect that it will reach a ballot on the presidential nomination before Friday or possibly Friday night.

Out of other developments yesterday, however, which placed Senator Watson of Indiana at the head of the platform building machinery, the resolutions committee, and made Edward D. Duffet, of New Jersey, chairman of the credentials committee, General Wood's lieutenant drew much comfort. Both men are delegates instructed for Wood. Frank Hitchcock, invested yesterday with the authority of supreme commander over the Wood faction, saw a "psychological" advantage to his candidate in the "victory."

Leaders who in other days were the main spring of party action did not share Mr. Hitchcock's views. They continued to talk much of Governor Lowden's "gaining strength" while from camps of Senator Johnson and the Illinois governor came assertions that "they were satisfied" with the situation coupled with expressions of optimism as the outcome of the balloting.

Wood Men Confronted Election of Wood men to the two important chairmanships was regarded by the Wood supporters as tending to aid in holding delegates instructed for him in line during the balloting. Admittedly any development which would have effect would be valuable to any candidate.

Aside from guesses as to what the more than 500 uninstructed delegates will do when the roll is called for their votes, the main

topic of conversation, assertion, counter assertion, and conjecture has been the number of ballots through which the "big three" can hold the lines of their instructed cohorts. Should their forces remain firm indefinitely the voting for a dark horse will begin in earnest to break a three way deadlock that would result.

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A reporter asked Gov. Lowden what was the nature of an interview he had given Bryan. Before the governor could answer, another reporter, a veteran, spoke up, saying: "Bryan's a reporter now."

EVERY GROUP AT G. O. P. MEET HAS SHARE OF FAMOUS MEN



In upper group are, left to right: Senators McCumber, Curtis, Calder, Lodge, Harding, Brandegee, New, Capper and Phipps. Small group, left to right: Congressman C. B. Slemmons of Virginia, Senator Curtis, and Senator Lenroot.

TWO DISPUTED LOWDEN VOTES OBTAIN SEATS

Permanent Roll of Delegates Is Completed—Report of Credential Committee to Precipitate a Scrap

Chicago, June 9.—Working all night at forced draft speed the credentials committee completed the permanent roll of the republican national convention at 4:30 o'clock this morning. Previous rulings on contests by the national committee were sustained in all but three cases.

In disposing of 103 appeals from the decisions made last week by the national committee, two delegates were taken from Governor Lowden, one in Georgia, and one in Tennessee, given to General Wood, but in the fifth Missouri (Kansas City) district where the national committee refused to seat anyone, the credentials committee seated two Lowden men, leaving

COURT BAILIFFS LOSE SALARY

The court of appeals has rendered a decision in a case that involves the pay of court bailiffs. Chas. Helman and Fred Underhill, Auditor Welty questioned the legality of their drawing a salary for the work they do, and it was finally agreed that mandamus proceedings should be begun in the court of appeals.

Mr. Helman filed the suit last week, and this morning the court rendered its decision. It held that the bailiffs were not entitled to their pay, for the reason that the statute requires that they cannot do so unless there are three resident judges. As there are but two judges here the bailiffs are out \$40.16 per month. They stated this morning that they would continue to do the work free of charge for a time at least.

Fast Express Runs Into Stalled Train

Dead and Injured Trapped as They Slept—Three Cars Telescoped—Seven of Dead Mutilated Beyond Apparent Identification

(By Associated Press) Schenectady, N. Y., June 9.—Eleven persons were killed and 21 injured today when a train of express cars crashed into the rear end of a passenger train which had stopped about two miles from Schenectady because of engine trouble.

All but one of those killed were asleep in two pullmans at the rear of the passenger train. Martin Doyle, of Albany, engineer of the express, died at his post, one hand being fast to the throttle when his body was found in the wreckage.

The Dead The passengers killed were: Mrs. Watson H. Brown, Utica, N. Y., her 12 year old grandson, Daniel Crouse and her 20 months old granddaughter, Marion Crouse. Six unidentified men.

One unidentified woman.

Kelcie H. Crouse, mother of the children who were killed, was severely injured with another young daughter.

Had Engine Trouble The train on which virtually all the killed and injured were passengers was number 28, a New York Central passenger train from Buffalo to New York, with two pullmans, two day coaches and baggage and mail cars. The train which crashed into it was a Michigan Central special of ten cars carrying express for the American railway express company.

The rear car of the passenger train, a pullman in which 12 passengers were asleep was "split" in pieces. Twenty-two people were asleep in the other pullman. The train had stopped in an open field between Glenville and Scotia, because of a defective water pipe in the engine.

Fireman Jumps C. Robinson, fireman on the train, gave the following version of the accident: "I went back 30 car lengths and saw number 34 coming toward me and I stayed in the middle of the track as long as I dared. She kept coming and did not blow her whistle. I waved my red lantern and threw the red fuse into the cab as it whizzed by, but I didn't see the engineer do anything."

Just before the crash came the fireman on number 34 leaped from his cab and escaped serious injury. The Doyle engineer, was pinned under the wreckage and killed. Rescuers said his hand had to be pried from his throttle.

Killed on Birthday New York Central officials here said that Martin Doyle, engineer of the express that crashed into a passenger train near Schenectady early today, had run by three signals in meeting death at his post on his fiftieth birthday.

He disregarded a distinct signal 1 3-4 miles from the standing train, they said, then passed a home signal, three quarters of a mile from the passenger train and finally ignored the flagman of the passenger train, who had come back with a red lantern.

Railroad officials announced that the block signals had been inspected after the wreck and found to be in working order and set against train number 34.

DEMOCRATS TO FAVOR TREATY OF VERSAILLES

(By Associated Press) San Francisco, June 9.—A declaration in favor of ratification of the treaty of Versailles will be the main plank in the democratic platform, according to Homer C. Cummings, chairman of the democratic national committee who arrived here late last night to prepare for the national convention.

"What other big constructive plank will be built into the platform is not for me to say at this time," he said.

VICTIM SEEKS BIG DAMAGES

A \$25,000 damage suit was filed in court today by Edward Dechant, who makes Vincent McHenry, the defendant.

Dechant states that while engaged in adjusting a chain to his automobile while on the Lake road on November 29, the defendant drove his automobile past in a careless manner causing a collision between the two machines. Dechant was knocked down and his left leg broken. It is now shorter than the right leg, and he asks the court for damages.

LABOR ATTACKS ANTI-STRIKE MEASURE

Gompers Tells G. O. P. Resolution Committee Proposed Industrial Bill Means Serfdom and Slavery for Workingmen

Chicago, June 9.—Vigorous opposition to federal legislation similar to the Kansas industrial court measure to unrestricted immigration and to the use of injunction proceeding in strikes was contained in a set of "demands" which Samuel Gompers and Matthew A. Wool of the American Federation of Labor, submitted today to the resolutions committee of the Republican National Convention.

Oppose Kansas Law "Legislation which proposes to make strikes unlawful or to compel the wage earners to submit their grievances or aspirations to courts or to governmental agencies is an invasion of the rights of the wage earners and when enforced makes for industrial serfdom and slavery," the statement said, regarding the Kansas law.

Labor pledged itself, it added, to uphold the federal law protecting its rights against "unwarrantable issuance of writs of injunction, either prohibitory or mandatory."

It is essential, it continued, the statement said, that additional legislation regulating immigration should be enacted based on two fundamental principles, namely, that the flow of immigration must not at any time exceed the nation's ability to assimilate and Americanize foreigners coming to our shores; and that at no time shall immigration be permitted when there exists an apparent degree of unemployment.

Other demands include: Immediate relief from high cost of living burdens; extension of the farm loan act to give credit to all property owning co-operatives and individual farmers; issuance of a monthly statement by the department of labor on the cost of manufacture of staple articles, prompt federal investigation of profits and prices and the making accessible of all income and other tax returns; observance, enforcement and extension of the federal maximum eight hour law in all civil departments of the government; revision of the federal compensation law to care for those not reached by state laws as well as sufferers from industrial accidents and occupational diseases; exclusion from interstate commerce of products of convict labor; repeal of the labor provisions of the Esch-Cummings law, direct election of federal judges by the people for terms not exceeding six years and action to prevent federal legislation being held unconstitutional.

The statement also declared against the use of force by the United States in Mexico to compel Mexicans to meet the demands of persons who purpose to "exploit" Mexico's resources.

Adjournment Made After Brief Meet; Divided On League

League of Nations Is Held Hard Nut to Crack—Ireland's Troubles and Labor Also Take Up Much Time—Lodge Made Permanent Chairman—Five Women Added to National Committee

Coliseum, Chicago, June 9.—The Republican National Convention was in session only an hour today and devoted itself entirely to routine preliminaries. The temporary organization was made permanent, the report of the credentials committee was approved with the changes made last night, some of which reversed previous decisions of the national committee.

For its second day sensation the convention heard a woman, Margaret Hill McCarter, Kansas, the first woman to address a national convention.

Report Delayed The platform committee was not ready to report and only sent word that it was making progress.

Chauncey M. Depew entertained the convention with a brief address and apparently the convention management had decided to do away with the string of speakers who in previous years have entertained the convention while the committees were working, for there were no other "entertainment" speakers on hand.

The next session will be at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The rank and file of convention visitors always likes a lot of music and oratory and this year they are certain to get it. "Saturday noon, at the earliest," is the estimate of leaders when asked when adjournment may come.

The delay is more attributable to platform difficulties than to uncertainty over a nomination. The word has gone out to give the radicals every chance to present their views and estop any possibility of a charge of steam rolling, or as some call it, an "excuse for a bolt."

Await Platform And until the platform is built there will be no one named to stand on it. The fact that more than half of the delegates are uninstructed has added to the list of nominating speeches. There are three or more for some and in a few instances six or more speeches in sight for each candidate. Between these speeches and the platform contest it would not be surprising if the actual nominations of the ticket would be carried over till Saturday.

The reply to inquiries as to "what is in the air," on vice president are met with the unanimous response: "Nothing; it depends on who is put over to head the ticket."

But there are a lot of budding candidates for second place with all of the leading figures for first place dodging. To those who flatly say they "will not take it" the reply is that "we heard that from Theodore Roosevelt, Charles Warren Fairbanks, and others and we'll see."

Chicago, June 9.—The league of nations plank still was undecided today twenty-four hours before the republican platform was to be presented to the national convention.

Members of the sub-committee of thirteen when they went into session to smooth out the remaining platform troubles, expressed confidence that they could agree, but all of them were somewhat hazy on how it was to be done.

Senator Watson of Indiana, head of the sub-committee, maintained that in the end the Indiana plank with some modifications, would get the support of all republican elements. Senator Borah of Idaho and McCormick of Illinois thought there would have to be material modifications to pacify the irreconcilables. The mild reservation group also wanted changes made, but in the opposite direction.

Bolstering the predictions of an agreement, however, was a feeling in many quarters that the league question must not be permitted to reach the convention floor, where every one realized it might set off fireworks of a destructive nature. Aside from the early issue, most of the platform material was in such shape that only the finishing touches had to be added by the sub-committee. There still remained to be determined, however, some details of the Mexican declaration and some questions of policy regarding industrial relations.

While the thirteen were in deliberation the remainder of the resolutions committee of fifty-three, were receiving in open hearings the advice of labor leaders and others of a wide diversity of subjects.

Final sifting of issues for the republican national platform began today in a special session of the committee of thirteen while the remainder of the full resolutions committee of fifty-three continued to hold open house to hear last minute suggestions and advice.

Park Is Unopened The league of nations question.

MANY FILE PETITIONS FOR COUNTY OFFICE

Candidates for county offices are filing their petitions with the clerk of the Board of Elections. The lists will close on Friday evening, at which time all those intending to run for office must have them on file. Thus far the following have declared their candidacy:

H. C. Wilcox, probate judge; C. M. Williams, county clerk; W. J. Beckwith, sheriff; Walter G. Ludwig, and Artemas Berce, county treasurer; Frank A. Stetson and Lawrence H. Webber, county prosecutor, Clinton M. Theobald, county surveyor, J. F. Burke and J. N. Stone state senators (two to be elected); Claude A. Spicer, state representative; S. H. Williams, representative in congress.

BOARD HEARS COMPLAINTS OF UNCLEAN SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Supt. Shelton asked each teacher to the public schools to offer suggestions as to how the schools could be improved.

At the board meeting yesterday afternoon almost everyone of the replies contained the request that the buildings be kept in a more sanitary condition. A request was also received from the Jefferson Parent-Teachers' association that the building be kept cleaner.

Supt. Shelton himself stated that some of the schools were very insanitary, saying that he never knew but one other school where conditions were any worse.

It is proposed that woman be employed to look after the work and help out the men janitors who in addition to caring for the buildings now have to look after the heating apparatus as well.

The lack of cleanliness in the buildings has been a constant source of criticism on the part of the teachers and the women of the Parent-Teachers' association for some time. The members of the board of education agreed that conditions were bad and appointed a committee to see the janitors and try and make different arrangements.